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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE APPLICATION OF:

PATRICIA C. BRZOSTOWICZ ET. AL.

CASE NO.: CL1903USNA

APPLICATION NO.: 09/941947

GROUP ART UNIT: 1645

FILED: AUGUST 29, 2001

EXAMINER: NASHED

FOR: CAROTENOID PRODUCTION FROM A SINGLE CARBON SUBSTRATE

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Introductory Comments

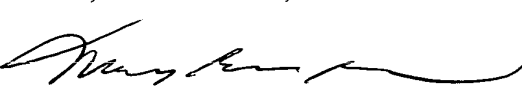
This is submitted in response to the Office Action dated 7/1/2004.

This response and amendment is filed outside the shortened three month statutory period for response. A request for a one month extension of time, including the appropriate fee accompanies this response.

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